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## **Amendments to the Specification:**

Please amend the paragraph (section) beginning on page 2, at line 18 as shown

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below:

The invention is a bottom anchor assembly for a substantially vertically-oriented elongate safety line, said anchor assembly comprising a safety line [gripping means] gripper, a safety line [tensioning means and] tensioner, a bracket [[means]] that is adapted to be fixedly mounted, wherein the [gripping means] gripper includes a manually adjustable clamp that can be clamped to the safety line at an adjustable position, [[and]] the [tensioning means includes] tensioner including a hollow shaft connected to the gripper and through which the safety line passes and extends upwardly, said hollow shaft [[being]] having an externally screw-threaded [and being provided on its screw -threaded portion with load-setting means] portion including a load setter threadingly adjustable thereon and adapted to bear against the underside of said bracket [[means]] for adjusting the safety line tension to a predetermined value.